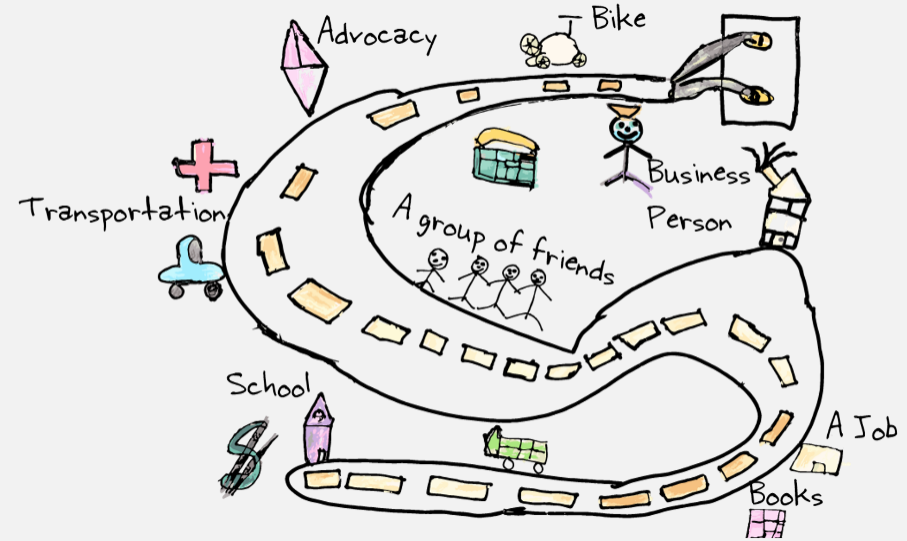


# Supporting Individual Success

For People with Intellectual Disabilities & Autism



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Thank you!!

# Purpose of Today's Meeting

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*To continue to share information and gather comments and questions from stakeholders as we move forward with the Supporting Individual Success initiative.*

# Supporting Individual Success

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- **Welcome, Introductions & Overview** *Jim Martin*
- **Supporting Individual Success** *Jim Martin*
  - Purpose of today's meeting
  - What we are trying to accomplish & why
  - What we've done so far
- **Resource Allocation Model Overview** *HSRI*
  - Resource allocation process description
  - Overview of how levels & service packages were determined
  - How it all fits together
  - Level descriptions, number of folks in each
- **Rate Models Overview** *B&A*
  - Process overview
  - Service packages & budgets (How will individual budgets work?)
  - Rates & key changes
- **Next Steps and Discussion** *Jim Martin*

# What OADS is trying to do & why

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OADS is committed to ensuring that:

*People with intellectual disabilities & autism get the services & supports they need to live self fulfilling and productive lives, just as others do, in their community.*

(Including those unidentified and waiting for services!)

# Complementing Commitments

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This commitment requires us to establish a person-centered system that emphasizes:

**People** with intellectual disabilities & autism be **in charge** of their lives as much as possible.

**People** with intellectual disabilities & autism have opportunities to use resources in ways that **enhance** their lives & help them **participate** in their communities.

**A shared responsibility** for the wise use of public dollars & the **contribution** that people with intellectual disabilities & autism, & their families can make.

**That the** system is managed in a way that is efficient & fair to **everyone**, including those receiving or waiting for services.

# What & How

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Given the overarching goals & commitments,  
we can talk about:

**What** we need to do, and

**How** we will move forward.

It's ok that along the way, we may not always agree!

# Moving Forward

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Making the changes we anticipate will require us to:

1. Build on the successes we have achieved,
2. Be willing to change some of how & what we have been doing, and
3. Balance our best intentions with a fairer & efficient use of the dollars we have.



# Balancing Commitments

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Fair & efficient  
spending & management  
practices

Sustainability

Growing Wait List

Making the System Fair  
for All

Rates Paid to Providers for  
Delivered Services

Services & supports  
preferred by people with  
ID & autism

Person-Centered  
Approaches

Flexibility & Choice

Self-direction

Employment  
Opportunities

**A  
person-  
centered  
&  
sustainable system**

# What OADS has been doing

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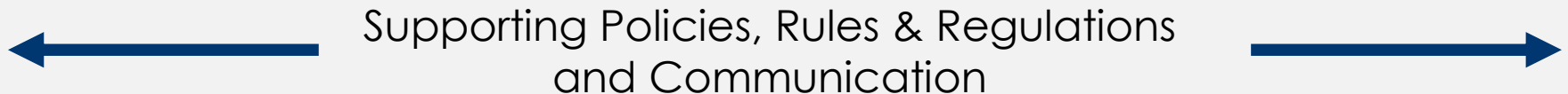
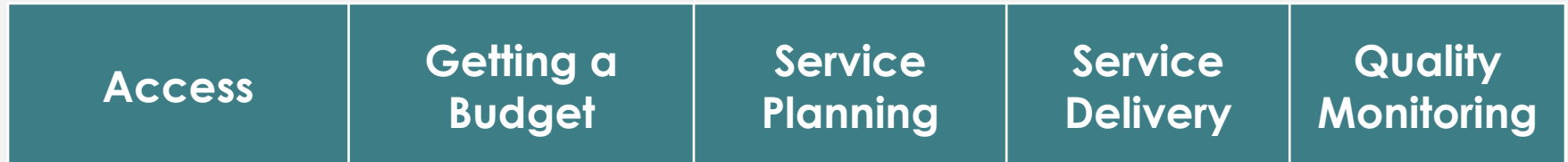
Over the past four years OADS staff have:

- ❑ Conducted 14 meetings with external stakeholders (over 400 participants), and an additional 48 internal meetings.
- ❑ Developed draft policies, procedures, and practices.
- ❑ Diligently focused efforts on communicating with all stakeholders (emails, conference calls, newsletters, provider meetings, self advocacy meetings).
- ❑ Contributed considerable resources.
- ❑ Listened, listened, listened!

# Looking Forward

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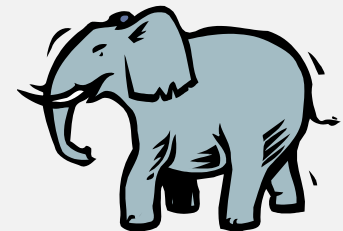
The challenges ahead may seem daunting, but we have a tremendous opportunity to improve the service delivery system.



# Identifying the Elephants

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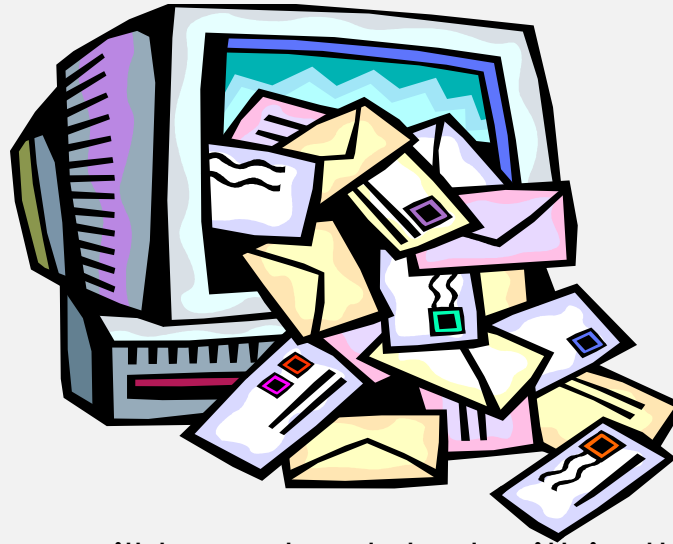
- ❑ **Individuals** accepted into Section 21, assessed as **level 1**, will be offered service options that encourage independence. Agency Home Support (group home) will not be available.
- ❑ Service packages include “**core services**” (residential and day activities) and allow for **additional services** (crisis, technology, skilled nursing, career planning) to be used separately.



# Your Feedback

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- ❑ These are **BIG CHANGES!** Please take time to review and digest the information presented at today's meeting.
- ❑ **We need your help!** Please identify questions, feedback and positive comments.



- ❑ **STAY TUNED!** A webinar will be scheduled within the next couple of weeks to provide another presentation for additional participants

# Discussion and Next Steps

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Comment period ends **Sept. 1, 2014**



**More information** is available at:

[www.maine.gov/dhhs/oads/disability/ds/sis/index.shtml](http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/oads/disability/ds/sis/index.shtml)

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